



NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg and the Drug Enforcement Administration announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

On October 18, 2010, Ricardo A. Fernandez was sentenced to a term of 36 months in prison on one count of conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine. He also forfeited any interest in \$13,863 in seized cash. The case resulted from an investigation conducted by the Drug Enforcement Administration.

Name of Defendant: Ricardo A. Fernandez

AKA:

Age: 22

City of residence: Pixley, CA

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty:

Ct. 1- Conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine; 10- life, \$4,000,000, 5 Yrs supervised release, \$100 SA.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Omaha, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Omaha, NE

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: 500 grams or more methamphetamine

Others Charged in Same Scheme: Miguel Gastelo-Armenta

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: February 2009 - March 13, 2009

Federal Arrest Date: 3/25/09

Date Complaint Issued:

Indictment Returned Date: 3/20/09

Initial Appearance Date: 3/25/09

Trial and Date(s): NA

Sentencing Date: 10/18/10

Next Court Hearing Type and Date:

Assigned Magistrate Judge: Hon. F. A. Gossett, III

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Released from Custody

In Continuous Custody Since: 5/2/10

Assigned District Court Judge: Hon. Laurie Smith Camp

Initials of Assigned AUSA/Preparer of THIS Release: JEH/cr